

**Draft Rule
#01-180(WPCB)**

Rule 13: Operational Rule

SECTION 1. 327 IAC 8-13-1 IS ADDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

327 IAC 8-13-1 Purpose of rule

Authority: IC 13-13-5-1; IC 13-13-5-2; IC13-18-3-2; IC 13-18-11-13; IC 13-18-16-9

Affected: IC 13-14-1-13; IC 13-14-8; IC 13-18-11-2

Sec. 1. The purpose of this rule is to establish and maintain standards of operation and require corrections to drinking water source, water treatment plant and distribution system operations so as to protect human health and prevent adverse impacts to drinking water. (*Water Pollution Control Board; 327 IAC 8-13-1*)

SECTION 2. 327 IAC 8-13-2 IS ADDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

327 IAC 8-13-2 Applicability of rule

Authority: IC 13-13-5-1; IC 13-13-5-2; IC13-18-3-2; IC 13-18-11-13; IC 13-18-16-9

Affected: IC 13-14-1-13; IC 13-14-8; IC 13-18-11-2

Sec. 2. The standards and practices established in this rule are applicable to the operation and maintenance of all new or existing public water systems in Indiana. Each public water system shall comply with this rule. (*Water Pollution Control Board; 327 IAC 8-13-2*)

SECTION 3. 327 IAC 8-13-3 IS ADDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

327 IAC 8-13-3 Definitions

Authority: IC 13-13-5-1; IC 13-13-5-2; IC13-18-3-2; IC 13-18-11-13; IC 13-18-16-9

Affected: IC 13-14-1-13; IC 13-14-8; IC 13-18-11-2

Sec. 3. The following definitions apply throughout this rule:

(1) “Critical part” means a piece of equipment essential to the safe operation of a public water system, including expendable parts such as glassware, fittings, hose clamps, and gaskets.

(2) “Distribution system” means one (1) of the following:

(A) In a community public water system, the term means the network of water piping, pumping stations, storage equipment, valves, fire hydrants, pressure regulators, and equipment required to transport water to the customer’s service connection from one (1) of the following points:

(i) A treatment plant.

(ii) A source of raw water supply if no treatment is provided.

(B) In a noncommunity public water system, the term means the network of water piping, pumping stations, valves, fire hydrants, pressure regulators, and equipment required to transport water to the point of use from one (1) of the following:

(i) A point that is one (1) foot beyond the water storage tank.

(ii) The well if no water storage tank is utilized.

(iii) *A source of purchased water supply if no additional treatment is provided.*

(3) "Flushing" means sending water through a portion of the system at a sufficient volume and velocity to remove loose forms, particles, sediment and materials.

(4) "Flushing device" means any device that is used to clear water that has been in resident time in the pipe. Also any device used for flushing.

(5) "Generic Meters" means any mechanism used to measure flow of water from or across a distribution system which would include the following:

(A) Residential ? Not sure what this means will get better explanation

(B) Industrial

(6) "Hydraulic information" means the slope of the following :

(A) Hydraulic grade line

(B) Water surface in an open channel

(C) Water surface of the groundwater table

(D) Water pressure for pipe under pressure (shows different pressures plains)

(7) "Interconnections" means a public water system supplies water to or receives water from one (1) or more public water systems.

(8) "Maintenance Logs" means a method of recording the following:

(A) Maintenance of the distribution system, including appropriate pipe replacement and repair procedures

(B) Main flushing programs

(C) Maintenance of storage tanks and reservoirs

(D) Continual maintenance of positive water pressure in all parts of the distribution system.

(9) "Major system components" means any equipment that if failed would leave consumers with;

(A) pressure below 20 psi at the consumer's meter; or

(B) water quality that violates 327IAC 8-2.

(10) "Process flow" means how the water flows from the source through the treatment process to the first customer.

(11) "Source" means the origin of the water that is treated or distributed whether it is ground water, surface water, or purchased water.

(12) "Storage system" means any device used for the purpose of containing water which would include any size of containers, but does not include distribution piping.

(13) "Supplier of Water" means owner, operator or governing body of public water systems.

(14) “Treatment system” means any combination of devices and chemicals used for the purpose of modifying the water’s characteristics.

(Water Pollution Control Board; 327 IAC 8-2-13.3)

SECTION 4. 327 IAC 8-13-4 IS ADDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

327 IAC 8-13-4 Operation

Authority: IC 13-13-5-1; IC 13-13-5-2; IC13-18-3-2; IC 13-18-11-13; IC 13-18-16-9

Affected: IC 13-14-1-13; IC 13-14-8; IC 13-18-11-2

(From 8-13-5 (b)An owner of a public water system is responsible for ensuring that:

(1) The system complies with this rule.

(2) The system’s operating staff has all of the resources and training necessary for proper operation of the system.)

Refer to 327 IAC 8-12-3.2

(Water Pollution Control Board; 327 IAC 8-13-4)

SECTION 5. 327 IAC 8-13-5 IS ADDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

327 IAC 8-13-5 General Maintenance

Authority: IC 13-13-5-1; IC 13-13-5-2; IC13-18-3-2; IC 13-18-11-13; IC 13-18-16-9

Affected: IC 13-14-1-13; IC 13-14-8; IC 13-18-11-2

Sec. 5. (a) A supplier of water shall ensure that the public water system is operated to provide and maintain safe drinking water to consumers. This responsibility includes the following:

- (1) Maintaining or contracting trained staff to perform all necessary duties.
- (2) Performing maintenance and replacement of equipment when necessary.
- (3) Providing testing to control and monitor treatment processes and chemical addition programs.

(b)An owner of a public water system is responsible for ensuring that:

(1) The system complies with this rule.

(2) The system’s operating staff has all of the resources and training necessary for proper maintenance of the system.

(c) A Supplier shall meet the flow rate and pressure requirements set forth in 327 IAC 8-3.4-12.

(d) A public water system shall ensure that chemicals added to drinking water and passed to the distribution system are approved by any of the following:

(1)As required by the Indirect and Direct Additive Rule

(2) As required by NSF 60 and 61

(e) All chemical containers shall bear the name, address and telephone number of the supplier, along with a functional name or identification and strength of the chemical.

(f) Chemicals shall not be fed in excess of the maximum dosage approved by U.S. EPA or USFDA.

(g) A public water system shall comply with 327 IAC 8-3 when construction permits are required.

(h) A public water system shall have an operation and maintenance program in which the system maintains compliance with this article and The Safe Drinking Water Act. The program must also include a documented operation and maintenance plan. Public water systems classified as class DSS(distribution system small) or other systems approved by the commissioner may use a checklist instead of a documented operational plan.

(i) A public water system shall have a system or method to obtain critical spare parts available to address reasonably foreseeable needs in a timely fashion in order to prevent adverse impacts to drinking water. (*Water Pollution Control Board; 327 IAC 8-13-5*)

SECTION 6. 327 IAC 8-13-6 IS ADDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

327 IAC 8-13-6 Operation and Maintenance Program

Authority: IC 13-13-5-1; IC 13-13-5-2; IC13-18-3-2; IC 13-18-11-13; IC 13-18-16-9

Affected: IC 13-14-1-13; IC 13-14-8; IC 13-18-11-2

Sec. 6. (a) The Operation and Maintenance Program required under section 5 of this rule must contain a description of known system components including the following:

- (1) source
- (2) treatment system
- (3) storage system
- (4) distribution system
- (5) interconnections
- (6) meters that are used for system flow or process control
- (7) pumps

The description must include all information necessary for operation, maintenance, repair and their location as applicable based on the best available information.

(b) The Operation and Maintenance Program required under section 5 of this rule must contain an approach for maintaining the operation to include at a minimum the following if applicable:

- (1) A schematic drawing of the process flow
- (2) Schematic drawings for the following if available:
 - (A) Hydraulic information
 - (B) Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system information
- (3) Process operation description which includes all of the major system components.
- (4) Manufacturers Operation Manuals if available
- (5) An overview of security measures which may include fencing, securing of components, employee training, and access controls.

(c) The Operation and Maintenance Program required under section 5 of this rule must contain a maintenance schedule of how and which major system components are maintained including the following:

- (1) Target Frequency
 - (2) Maintenance logs
 - (3) The portion of the manufacturer's O & M manual dealing with maintenance frequency if available
 - (4) Description of maintenance procedures
- (d) The Operation and Maintenance Program required under section 5 of this rule must contain a contact list with names and phone numbers including the following if applicable:
- (1) Vendors and suppliers
 - (2) Responsible staff
 - (3) Contractors utilized by a public water system
 - (4) Utilities
 - (5) Regulatory Agencies
 - (6) Management
 - (7) Consultants used by a public water system
 - (8) Critical Users
 - (9) Emergency contacts
 - (10) Other contacts utilized for O & M functions
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- (e) The Operation and Maintenance Program required under section 5 of this rule must contain and have an approach for maintaining safety procedures.
- (f) The Operation and Maintenance Program required under section 5 of this rule must contain and have an approach for maintaining a supply inventory which must include the following if applicable:
- (1) treatment chemicals
 - (2) critical spare part/equipment/lubricants
 - (3) testing/lab supplies
 - (4) general supplies
- (g) The Operation and Maintenance Program required under section 5 of this rule must list information regarding compliance monitoring and reporting including the following:
- (1) to whom a public water system reports
 - (2) what is reported
 - (3) frequency of reporting
 - (4) where reports are sent
 - (5) method of information reporting
- (h) The Operation and Maintenance Program required under section 5 of this rule must contain a method for keeping records. The method must include keeping the records current for all information required by this section.
- (i) For all existing public water systems, the Operation and Maintenance Program required under section 5 of this rule must be in place according to the requirements below:
- (1) DSS and DSM one year from the effective date of this rule.
 - (2) DSL and WT2 two years from the effective date of this rule.
 - (3) WT3, WT4, WT5 three years from the effective date of this rule.
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- (j) All new construction completed on any existing public water system after the effective date of the rule must be accurately represented and included in The

Operation and Maintenance Program within one year of completion of that construction.

(k) For all newly constructed public water systems, an Operation and Maintenance Program required under section 5 of this rule must be in place one year upon completion of construction.

(l) The commissioner may require additional information if necessary on a case-by-case basis. (Water Pollution Control Board; 327 IAC 8-13-6)

SECTION 7. 327 IAC 8-13-7 IS ADDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

327 IAC 8-13-7 Distribution System

Authority: IC 13-13-5-1; IC 13-13-5-2; IC13-18-3-2; IC 13-18-11-13; IC 13-18-16-9

Affected: IC 13-14-1-13; IC 13-14-8; IC 13-18-11-2

Sec. 7. (a) Distribution system pressure requirements are as follows:

(1) The system shall be designed and operated to maintain a minimum residual pressure in accordance of 327 IAC 8-3.4-12

(2) The system shall be designed to meet existing demands on the distribution system. A public water system may not add customers unless they can show they can meet section 7(a)(1). If 20 psi can not be maintained the system shall be upgraded to meet requirements.

(3) Where the distribution system, existing or new storage, or pumping cannot provide a minimum pressure of 20 psi throughout the distribution system at ground level, it shall be necessary to create a boosted pressure zone to serve those portions of the system.

(b) A sample site plan and map including addresses must meet the following:

(1) A Public water system must collect total coliform samples at sites which are representative of water throughout the distribution system according to a written sample siting plan approved by the commissioner. A site plan is to be on file in the Drinking Water Branch, Office of Water Quality, and the system files.

(2) The general location of routine sample sites must be indicated on the site plan and map and the specific locations are to be identified using a three (3) digit identification number (001). Using the three (3) digit identification number, a corresponding list is to be completed which includes the address and phone number of each site. The number of sites is based on the population served by the water supply. Systems should choose sites with dedicated sampling taps or businesses with ready access. Dead end lines and outside spigots should be avoided. The plan, as submitted to the Drinking Water Branch, is reviewed for completeness by the field inspector.

(3) The sample site plan and map required under subdivision (d)(1) must be reviewed annually and updated as appropriate.

(c) A public water system must meet the following:

(1) Dead ends shall be minimized by looping mains whenever feasible. Where dead end mains occur, they shall terminate with an adequate flushing device. Refer to 327 IAC 8-3.2-13 for further dead end requirements.

(2) A flushing device must meet the following:

- (A) Existing public water systems shall provide flushing devices to ensure that quantity and quality of water are not adversely impacted.
- (B) Public water systems designed and constructed after the effective date of this rule must comply with flushing device requirements of 327 IAC 8-3.2-15.
- ____(C) A flushing device that has an apparatus that drains which is found to be connected to, or located within ten (10) feet of sanitary sewers or storm sewer inlets must be disconnected, relocated, or plugged.
- (3) Valves must meet the following:
 - (A) Public water systems shall have valves to minimize customer service disruptions.
 - (B) Public water systems designed and constructed after the effective date of this rule must comply with valve requirements of 327 IAC 8-3.2-14.
 - (C) Valves should be exercised at a frequency to maintain proper operation.
- (4) Water Loading Stations must meet the following:
 - (A) There may be no back flow to the public water supply
 - (B) The piping arrangement shall prevent contaminants being transferred from a hauling vessel to others subsequently using the station.
 - (C) Hoses used for potable water may not come into contact with the ground .
- (5) Booster Stations shall have automatic control equipment installed to prevent the pump from causing a vacuum and/or lowering water pressure in any part of the distribution to less than 20 psi as measured at a ground surface.
- (d) A supplier of water shall perform routine maintenance to ensure leaks are discovered as soon as possible and repaired.
- (e) Backflow preventors shall be provided and maintained according to 327 IAC 8-10.